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SUBJECT: US-USSR TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: TRANSPORT  
CONSTRUCTION (05.02)

1. ON JULY 31 EMBASSY RECEIVED IN THE MAIL A LETTER  
(DATED JULY 11) FROM D. M. YEKIMCHEV, LEADER OF  
SOVIET SIDE OF WORKING GROUP IN TRANSPORTATION  
CONSTRUCTION TO C. F. SCHEFFEY. ORIGINAL BEING  
POUCHED TO DOT FOR ALLEN. REGISTRY NO. 1911872.  
INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS.

2. DEAR MR. SCHEFFEY:

DURING THE 4TH SESSION OF THE SOVIET-AMERICAN WORKING  
GROUP ON SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN  
THE AREA OF TRANSPORT CONSTRUCTION  
WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE US IN SEPTEMBER 1977,  
AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON AN EXCHANGE IN 1978 OF DELEGA-  
TIONS OF EXPERTS ON THE PROBLEM OF "RESEARCH IN BRIDGE-  
BUILDING, METHODS OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION, AND  
TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT."

IT WAS PROPOSED THAT DURING THIS MEETING THE EXPERTS  
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WOULD WORK OUT A PROGRAM OF COOPERATION FOR 1978-79  
ON QUESTIONS OF INTEREST TO THEM IN THE AREA OF BRIDGE  
CONSTRUCTION.

FOR OUR PART, WE ARE READY TO SEND A 4 MAN DELEGATION  
OF EXPERTS TO THE US IN SEPTEMBER FOR THIS PURPOSE.  
DURING THIS VISIT WE HOPE TO DISCUSS THE COOPERATIVE

PROGRAM ON FACTORY MANUFACTURE OF METAL BRIDGE  
STRUCTURES, PREFABRICATED REINFORCED CONCRETE BRIDGES,  
AND DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE FOUNDATIONS.

BESIDES THIS , THE SOVIET EXPERTS WOULD CONSIDER IT  
USEFUL AT THAT TIME:

1. TO DISCUSS WITH THE AMERICAN EXPERTS THE QUESTION  
OF FACTORY MANUFACTURE AND METHODS OF ASSEMBLY OF  
METAL BRIDGE STRUCTURES AND TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES  
WITH THE WORK BEING CARRIED OUT AT THE UNITED STATES  
STEEL AND BETHLEHEM STEEL CORPORATIONS IN THE US;

2. TO CONSIDER THE PRESENT STATE OF DESIGN AND  
CONSTRUCTION OF PREFABRICATED REINFORCED CONCRETE  
TRESTLE-TYPE BRIDGES OF GREAT LENGTH, AND IN  
PARTICULAR, TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE WORK  
OF THE BROWN AND ROOT COMPANY IN HOUSTON;

3. TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE EXPERIMENTS  
IN THE DESIGN OF LARGE BRIDGES, FOR EXAMPLE, ARVID  
GRANT COMPANY, NEW YORK;

4. TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE DESIGN AND  
STATE OF CONSTRUCTION OF METAL-SHROUD SYSTEM BRIDGES  
IN SAN FRANCISCO.  
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WE PROPOSE THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION  
CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

BREZHNEV, V. A. - DEPUTY MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT  
CONSTRUCTION

SAFONOV, V. N. - HEAD ENGINEER, GIPROTRANSMOST INSTITUTE

ANUROV, E. V. - DIRECTOR OF THE MOSTROY #8 CONGLOMERATE

GUBANOV, V. E. - TRANSLATOR

I ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER OUR PROPOSALS AND LET US HAVE  
YOUR OPINION ON THE QUESTIONS RAISED.

BESIDES THIS, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW YOUR INTENTIONS  
REGARDING A VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION BY AMERICAN  
EXPERTS ON THE QUESTION OF TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION WHICH  
WAS ALSO ENVISAGED IN THE PROTOCOL OF THE 4TH SESSION  
OF THE SOVIET-AMERICAN WORKING GROUP.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES. WITH RESPECT. D. M.  
YEKIMCHEV. TOON

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